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BOYD SMITH, *3d Lieutenant Grand Commander*.....Mineral, Va.
T. C. MILLER, *Inspector General*.....Lynchburg, Va.
D. A. BROWN, Jr., *Quartermaster General*.....Richmond, Va.
J. C. REED, *Chaplain-General*.....Hampton, Va.
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DR. JOHN J. TERRELL, *Surgeon-General*.....Lynchburg, Va.
JOS. V. BIDGOOD, *Adjutant-General*.....Richmond, Va.

Aides-de-Camp

WM. M. ELLIS.....Shawsville, Va.
W. W. BENTLEY.....Pulaski, Va.
A. H. GIBBONY.....Marion, Va.
R. T. TAYLOR.....Fredericksburg, Va.

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Appointed October 19, 1910.

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2d District—T. B. JACKSON.....Norfolk, Va.
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4th District—S. W. PAULETT.....Farmville, Va.
5th District—B. Y. FRETWELL.....Danville, Va.
6th District—D. M. ARMSTRONG.....Roanoke, Va.
7th District—J. OGDEN MURRAY.....Charles Town, W. Va.
8th District—.....
9th District—J. P. WHITMAN.....Horsepen, Va.
10th District—G. JULIAN PRATT.....Waynesboro, Va.

GENERAL ORDERS

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GRAND CAMP CONFEDERATE VETERANS OF VIRGINIA.

GENERAL ORDER No. 1.

BEDFORD CITY, VA., *December 1, 1914.*

COMRADES: It becomes my duty as Grand Commander to announce the following appointments:

Adjutant-General: Joseph V. Bidgood, Richmond, Va.

Aides-de-Camp:

Boyd Smith, Mineral, Va.;
S. W. Williams, Wytheville, Va.;
J. T. Goolrick, Fredericksburg, Va.;
Phil. F. Brown, Blue Ridge Springs, Va.;

and also to fill places on the Standing Committees made vacant by the lamented deaths of comrades.

On Committee on Good of Grand Camp, Edward Warfield, Alexandria, Va.

On Committee on Resolutions and Disbursements, James Baumgardner, Staunton, Va.

On History Committee, Vernon I'Anson, Norfolk, Va.

As Assistant Inspector-General for the Ninth District, T. P. Whitman, Horsepen, Va.

In completing the full organization of the Camp by these appointments and entering upon the discharge of my duties as Grand Commander, I cannot forego the opportunity to earnestly invoke the active and diligent co-operation of all the officers of the Grand Camp, as well as the officers of the subordinate Camps, in promot-

ing the benevolent and patriotic objects for which our organization was formed and is preserved. As the years pass, there is increased opportunity and need of useful work in taking care of, as well as in preserving the reputation of, our comrades.

By order of
S. GRIFFIN,
Grand Commander.

JOSEPH V. BIDGOOD,
Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS

GRAND CAMP CONFEDERATE VETERANS OF VIRGINIA.

BEDFORD CITY, VA., *January 8, 1915.*

To the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans and Subordinate Camps in Virginia:

DEAR COMRADES: I desire to call your attention to a bill introduced in the Senate of the United States by Senator Works, of California, the object of which is to authorize the Government to provide a home for infirm and needy ex-Confederates by turning over to them the Soldiers' Home at Johnson City, Tenn. This Home is to be vacated by Federal soldiers, who are to be provided for in other Homes already established, and has a capacity of 2,266 persons. The bill provides that the wives of ex-Confederates may also be admitted as inmates of the Home. In view of the urgent need of some such provision for our needy comrades, I urge that Virginia Camps exert their earnest influence in its behalf, and suggest that the Commanders of Camps write personal letters to the senators of Virginia and to the representative of their district, asking them to do all they can to expedite the passage of this bill during the present session of Congress.

Fraternally yours,
S. GRIFFIN,
Grand Commander Confederate Veterans of Virginia.

RECORD SINCE THE ORGANIZATION OF THE GRAND CAMP CONFEDERATE VETERANS OF VIRGINIA.

As a result of the Military Conference held in the city of Richmond on the 16th of December, 1887, and on the 13th of January, 1888, the accredited representatives from the following Camps, viz: Pickett-Buchanan Camp, of Norfolk, Va.; Stonewall Camp, of Portsmouth, Va.; A. P. Hill Camp, of Petersburg, Va., and R. E. Lee Camp No. 1, of Richmond, Va., met in R. E. Lee Camp Hall, Richmond, on the 13th day of February, 1888. An organization was effected, and orders and regulations adopted for the government of the Grand Camp Confederate Veterans, as reported by the Military Conference on the 13th of January, 1888, and regular officers elected to serve until the next annual meeting to be held on the second Tuesday in May, 1888. Four camps on roster.

John R. Cooke, Richmond, Va., re-elected Grand Commander.

The annual meetings held, places, times, and Grand Commanders elected, are as follows:

1888, MAY 8.—First regular annual meeting was held at Lee Camp Hall, Richmond, Va.
*John R. Cooke, Richmond, Va., re-elected Grand Commander.

1888, SEPTEMBER.—Resignation of General John R. Cooke as Grand Commander received, and First Lieutenant Grand Commander E. M. Henry became Grand Commander.

1889, JUNE 6.—Second regular annual meeting was held at Norfolk, Va.
*E. M. Henry, Norfolk, Va., elected Grand Commander.
The Legislature of Virginia, session 1889-'90, passed a bill to incorporate the Grand Camp Confederate Veterans, Department of Virginia, which was approved January 20, 1890.

1890, JUNE 9.—Third regular annual meeting was held at Petersburg, Va.
*W. P. Smith, elected Grand Commander.

1891, JUNE 10.—Fourth regular annual meeting was held at Fredericksburg, Va.
*W. P. Smith, re-elected Grand Commander.

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*Dead.

1892, JUNE 22 AND 23.—Fifth regular annual meeting was held at Roanoke, Va.
*Thomas A. Brander, elected Grand Commander.

1893, JUNE 14 AND 15.—Sixth regular annual meeting was held at Portsmouth, Va.
*Hugh R. Smith, elected Grand Commander.

1894, JUNE 6 AND 7.—Seventh regular annual meeting was held at Alexandria, Va.
*Thomas Lewis, elected Grand Commander.

1895, JUNE 4 AND 5.—Eighth regular annual meeting was held at Charlottesville, Va.
William A. Smoot, elected Grand Commander.

1896, OCTOBER 27 AND 28.—Ninth regular annual meeting was held at Winchester, Va.
*John Cousins, elected Grand Commander.

1897, OCTOBER 20, 21 AND 22.—Tenth regular annual meeting was held at Richmond, Va.
James N. Stubbs, elected Grand Commander. Resigned. John J. Williams became Grand Commander.

1898, OCTOBER 4, 5 AND 6.—Eleventh regular meeting was held at Culpeper, Va.
*John J. Williams, elected Grand Commander.

1899, OCTOBER 11, 12 AND 13.—Twelfth regular annual meeting was held at Pulaski, Va.
Stith Bolling, elected Grand Commander.

1900, OCTOBER 10, 11 AND 12.—Thirteenth regular annual meeting was held at Staunton, Va.
*Richard L. Maury, elected Grand Commander.

1901, OCTOBER 23, 24 AND 25.—Fourteenth regular annual meeting was held at Petersburg, Va.
*Thomas W. Smith, elected Grand Commander.

1902, OCTOBER 22, 23 AND 24.—Fifteenth regular annual meeting was held at Wytheville, Va.
James MacGill, elected Grand Commander.

1903, OCTOBER 28, 29 AND 30.—Sixteenth regular annual meeting was held at Newport News, Va.
George L. Christian, elected Grand Commander.

*Dead.

1904, SEPTEMBER 11, 12 AND 13.—Seventeenth regular annual meeting was held at Lynchburg, Va.
W. E. Harwood, elected Grand Commander.

1905, OCTOBER 25, 26 AND 27.—Eighteenth regular annual meeting was held at Petersburg, Va.
*John H. Fulton, elected Grand Commander.

1906, OCTOBER 24, 25 AND 26.—Nineteenth regular annual meeting was held at Roanoke, Va.
*W. H. Stewart, elected Grand Commander.

1907, OCTOBER 23, 24 AND 25.—Twentieth regular annual meeting was held at Norfolk, Va.
Thomas T. Munford, elected Grand Commander.

1908, OCTOBER 20, 21 AND 22.—Twenty-first regular annual meeting was held at Charlottesville, Va.
S. S. Brooke, elected Grand Commander.

1909, OCTOBER 12, 13 AND 14.—Twenty-second regular annual meeting was held at Danville, Va.
John C. Ewell, elected Grand Commander.

1910, OCTOBER 18, 19 AND 20.—Twenty-third regular annual meeting was held at Norfolk, Va.
William C. Whittle, elected Grand Commander.

1911, OCTOBER 17, 18 AND 19.—Twenty-fourth regular annual meeting was held at Newport News, Va.
Harry Wooding, elected Grand Commander.

1912, SEPTEMBER 25, 26 AND 27.—Twenty-fifth regular annual meeting was held at Pulaski, Va.
Thomas Smith, elected Grand Commander.

1913, SEPTEMBER 17, 18 AND 19.—Twenty-sixth regular annual meeting was held at Roanoke, Va.
J. Thompson Brown, elected Grand Commander.

1914, OCTOBER 20, 21 AND 22.—Twenty-seventh regular annual meeting was held at Newport News, Va.
Samuel Griffin, elected Grand Commander.

1915, OCTOBER 19, 20 AND 21.—Twenty-eighth regular annual meeting was held at Fredericksburg, Va.
Thomas L. Tate, elected Grand Commander.

*Dead.

PROCEEDINGS 1915.

FIRST DAY.

Tuesday, October 19, 1915.

The Twenty-eighth Annual Meeting of the Grand Camp Confederate Veterans of Virginia was held in the Opera House, Fredericksburg, Tuesday, the 19th, Wednesday, the 20th, and Thursday, the 21st, of October, 1915.

Meeting called to order by Commander, A. B. Bowering, Maury Camp No. 2, Fredericksburg.

Prayer by Rev. R. C. Gilmor, Acting Grand Chaplain.

Music by the choir.

Addresses of welcome: By the Mayor of Fredericksburg, Hon. J. P. Rowe; from the veterans of Fredericksburg and vicinity, by Comrade Jno. T. Goolrick.

Response by Comrade Hon. John Lamb, of Richmond, for the Grand Camp.

Introduction of the Grand Commander, Samuel Griffin, by Commander Bowering.

Music.

Grand Camp called to order by the Grand Commander.

The following Grand and Past Grand officers present:

SAMUEL GRIFFIN.....*Grand Commander*
THOMAS L. TATE.....*1st Lieutenant Grand Commander*
T. G. ELAM.....*2d Lieutenant Grand Commander*
DAVID A. BROWN, JR.....*Quartermaster-General*
JOSEPH V. BIDGOOD.....*Adjutant-General*

Past Grand Officers.

JAMES N. STUBBS.....Woods X-Roads, Va.
STITH BOLLING.....Petersburg, Va.
GEO. L. CHRISTIAN.....Richmond, Va.
S. S. BROOKE.....Roanoke, Va.
JOHN C. EWELL.....Bertrand, Va.
J. THOMPSON BROWN.....Richmond, Va.

Aides-de-Camp.

BOYD SMITH.....Mineral
J. T. GOOLRICK.....Fredericksburg

Assistant Inspectors-General.

1st District—.....
2d District, T. B. Jackson.....Norfolk
3d District, O. B. Morgan.....Richmond
4th District, S. W. Paulett.....Farmville
5th District, B. Y. Fretwell.....Danville
7th District, J. Ogden Murray.....Charles Town, W. Va.

Committees called.

On motion, further reading of the minutes dispensed with.

The Grand Commander appointed the following committee on credentials:

R. S. DENNY, No. 119, *Chairman.*
EDGAR WARFIELD, No. 5.
R. C. HART, No. 2.
L. A. WEAVER, No. 2.

The Grand Commander read his report. Referred to the Committee on Resolutions and Disbursements.

The Grand Camp, after prayer by the Acting Grand Chaplain, adjourned to meet Wednesday, October 20th, nine o'clock A. M.

The Grand Commander's Report.

HEADQUARTERS

GRAND CAMP CONFEDERATE VETERANS OF VIRGINIA.

BEDFORD CITY, VA.

Commander of Maury Camp No. 2, Comrades of the Grand Camp, Ladies and Gentlemen:

There are, no doubt, times in the lives of all when embarrassment arises from inability to satisfactorily express the thoughts that fill the mind and the emotions that warm the blood and increase the heart-beats. With me the present is one of those occasions. To be elected by the spontaneous vote of Confederate Veterans to preside over this distinguished body, composed of the very best men of the very best State—men who today enjoy a world-wide reputation as having displayed for four long years the highest and noblest qualities of patriots and soldiers; men whose renown for battles fought and won, as well as for battles fought and lost, is everywhere recognized—is an honor more highly valued than any other that has come to me. I shall ever feel grateful, my comrades, for this expression of your partiality and your confidence.

To be inaugurated in the highest office of the Grand Camp of Virginia, and to have placed in my hands the symbol of its authority, that I may conduct in an orderly way its proceedings, while accepted with self-gratulation, creates at the same time some anxiety as to my discharge in a pleasing manner of the delicate duties the office imposes.

I feel the honor all the more, if I may be permitted to say so now, because the meeting is held in Fredericksburg—formerly an old-time Virginia town, with old-time genuine Virginia habits and manners; now a city that fails not to cherish old-time traditions and customs, and which, while fully alive to the opportunities of the present, will never—no, never!—forget the past; a city which, while proud of its growth and prosperity, would not exchange its history, filled with illustrious incidents in times of peace and tragic scenes and events in time of war, for all the wealth of Indus; a city of which it has been sincerely and justly said:

"History presents no instance of a people exhibiting a purer or more unselfish patriotism, or a higher spirit of fortitude and courage than was evinced by the people of Fredericksburg. They cheerfully incurred great hardships and privations and surrendered their homes and property to destruction, rather than yield them in the hands of the enemies of their country."

Fortunate city! Honored, thrice honored the people to whom such praise comes from such lips. For these, as you know, were the words of our great, our matchless chieftain, Gen. Robt. E. Lee, to whom there is but one other in the annals of all time to be compared, and he was nurtured and trained to manhood in and near to Fredericksburg. Washington and Lee! Immortal names heading the list of the good and the great, side by side they stand out in history, even like the twin mountain peaks of their native State—the lofty Peaks of Otter, which are gazed upon day after day and year after year by the people who live in their shadow, with growing wonder and admiration, each peak rivaling the other in altitude, but neither detracting from the other's majestic grandeur.

After an unwilling absence of more than eleven years, the Grand Camp is once more assembled in this hospitable city. I know that you, comrades, respond to the sentiments of gladness that have already been uttered, that a kind Providence has permitted to us this great privilege.

It is gratifying to see that, notwithstanding you are sometimes called "Old Vets," you still wear smiling faces. I have often said that the Confederate soldiers, taken as a whole, were the most cheerful people I have ever known. They appeared cheerful in the presence of danger and hardship, and this disarmed care and dispelled gloom. Jokes and laughter were heard under the most adverse conditions, unaffected by the dreariest or severest weather, or by privations that tried their very souls. The disposition seemed almost general to make the most of what might be called "hard lines," but there were exceptions.

With your permission I will relate an instance of one.

On a very cold and rainy day the cavalry were called out late in the evening to make an all night march. As darkness approached the column would pass farm houses which were illuminated by the bright wood fires; occasionally the supper table would be seen, presenting a most inviting appearance by its apparently well supplied

table. A recruit had joined the company in which he marched but a few days before, and as he sat upon his untrained horse, with short stirrups that caused his knees to rest upon the withers of his horse, and with saddle and bridle that showed their rustic origin, the men around him were busy looking through the windows of the houses they passed, and amusing themselves by asking each other what they would have if their wishes could be fulfilled. One of them said, "If I could get what I want, I would be resting quietly in bed, with feathers up to my chin and with the warm blankets and comforts that my mother would supply." Another said, "Well, I would like to be at that supper table with plenty of good hot rolls that had lifted the lid from the oven, and with fresh butter of a golden hue and fresh milk just from the spring." Then one of them turning to the recruit said, "Why don't you tell us, recruit, the best thing that you would like to have?" After a short silence, in which he seemed to be in serious thought, he said, "I am going to tell you the truth about it, and if I had my rather, I would just wish to God I never had joined."

This lightheartedness was, no doubt, helpful in the camp, on the march and elsewhere, so long as the spirit of youth filled the ranks, but now, perhaps, more serious thoughts should occupy the mind.

My comrades, I don't know how you may feel about it, but to me it seems that the space between the milestones on life's highway is lessening very fast. The years are growing shorter and shorter at an alarming rate—a rate that should keep always before our eyes the danger signal that "the times are waxing late," and the wholesome warning, "Be sober and keep vigil. The Judge is at the gate."

The year that ends with this annual meeting has seen our ranks invaded too often by the grim reaper. He has found many shining marks for his unerring scythe, from which there is no final escape for mortals. It becomes my duty, as Grand Commander, to notice briefly some of those who were prominent officers of the Camp.

At three o'clock in the morning on the 18th day of last May our faithful and efficient Inspector-General, Tipton D. Jennings, of Lynchburg, Va., ended his days upon earth. His death was announced to the Camp by a special order, in which a brief but scant tribute was paid to his worth as a citizen and his steadfastness to duty as a soldier. As this order will be printed in the report of

the proceedings of the Camp, I will not detain you by repeating what is there said. In the eulogies of his life and character the dominant attribute in all notices and resolutions was his uniform gentleness and sweetness of disposition. This was the more striking, perhaps, when considered in connection with his war record where he always displayed the firmness, the coolness, the intrepidity which make heroes of men. His life was another illustration of the fact that "the bravest are the tenderest." His wide-awake interest in the proceedings of the meetings of the Camp kept him well informed, and his valuable suggestions from the rostrum or the floor as to what should be done in cases of doubt and emergency that arose, adds to our grief that his seat is now, alas, vacant, never again to be filled by him. His successor will be elected by the Camp, and the best wish I can offer him, whoever he be, is that he may prove worthy of the mantle which will fall upon his shoulders.

There has been a singular mortality in the department of the Camp's organization of which he was the head. Three Assistant Inspectors-General have along with him received the final summons—Comrade A. G. Tyne, Assistant Inspector of the Ninth District, died on the 4th day of November, 1914, at his hospitable home in Tazewell County. With the rank of captain he was assigned to duty in the Eighth Regiment of Virginia Cavalry, where he performed conscientiously the tasks assigned him, never shirking any duty that belonged to him as a soldier. He was a frequent attendant at the meetings of this Camp, and took an active and intelligent part in its deliberations. He was a public-spirited citizen, taking a keen interest in educational and other work for the advancement of the people of his county and of his State. He belonged to a class from which the fall of one leaves a wide gap.

Comrade John A. Holtzman, of Culpeper, Assistant Inspector-General for the Eighth District, died on the 10th day of September, 1915. He enlisted as a soldier in a company that was baptized as "The Little Fork Rangers," and which afterwards became Company D of the famous Fourth Virginia Regiment of Virginia Cavalry. He was promoted to the office of lieutenant, and was wounded in a severe engagement with the enemy at Nance's Shop. He was a gallant trooper and continued faithful in the discharge of every duty while he lived. He was appointed Assistant Inspector-General in 1901. He retained office until his death. He

was active in the organization of the A. P. Hill Camp No. 2 in May, 1896, and was its treasurer until his death. His Camp, by resolution, declared of him that: "Any trust committed to Comrade Holtzman was sure of being discharged with unvarying honesty and fidelity. His record as a soldier, citizen and, above all, as a Christian gentleman, is indelibly left upon the hearts of his comrades." His county paper said of him: "Mr. Holtzman was a man of such character that it may be properly said that no one may speak of his life without admiration, or hear of his death without regret." And the *Religious Herald* said: "Brother Holtzman never outgrew his devotion to the comrades of those perilous and stirring years that challenged the world's attention from '61 to '65. A Confederate reunion was a trumpet blast to the loyal affection which in camp and bivouac had won and held the esteem of patriots as brave and gallant as himself. How the curtain of declining years would halt in its descent as with boyish, beaming face he would don his gray uniform and march forth to taste again the fellowship of the days that tried men's souls."

Comrade George Washington Nelms, Assistant Inspector-General for the First District, departed this life on the 22d day of September, 1915. For a great many years he was a willing worker in the Camp and outside of it. His greatest pleasure seemed to be in contributing to the comfort and enjoyment of his comrades. He entered the service of the Southern Confederacy as a member of the Petersburg Riflemen, afterwards Company E of the 12th Virginia Regiment. He was severely wounded at Seven Pines, was twice rejected for re-enlistment on account of his wounds, and having made his third application was allowed to take his place in the ranks, but was soon detached by order of the Secretary of War for lighter service because of his physical disability. In civic life he filled acceptably many responsible positions. His death was sincerely lamented by the community in which he lived. At the last meeting of this Camp in Newport News he was elected Third Lieutenant Grand Commander in recognition of his zealous and efficient work in the Camp and of the high esteem in which he was held by his comrades.

Inspector-General Jennings, in what I believe was one of his last reports to the Camp, pays tribute to his assistants as follows: "These ten efficient and obliging Assistant Inspectors-General have

served the Grand Camp long and well, without fear, favor or reward; however, we all entertain for each of these useful comrades an affectionate regard." In the same report the Inspector-General said, "The prompt and faithful Adjutants and Commanders merit praise and commendation. The lazy and negligent who will not report ought to be ashamed."

I am informed by the Adjutant-General and the Quartermaster-General that some of the latter class so mildly reminded of their defaults by the late lamented Inspector-General still hold office and still systematically neglect the performance of the duties that attach to the office. I beg to impress them with the importance of diligent attention to the duties they undertook when they accepted office. The very life of the Camp depends upon their fidelity. It cannot be successfully maintained without reports of subordinate Camps of the number of its members, its general condition, wants, etc., and especially without a prompt collection and return of the annual dues necessary for the support of the Grand Camp. It was found desirable, and, in fact, necessary to increase the per capita contribution for this purpose to fifteen cents, instead of ten cents. Surely the aggregate amount due from each Camp is not more than can be easily obtained by a proper effort on the part of the Commanders and Adjutants. If it happens that some members, by reason of misfortune or inability to work are unable to pay, let their comrades who are more fortunate pay for them, and thus preserve the standing and usefulness of the Camp by permitting no default in what should be regarded as a freewill offering to the Grand Camp, to which the subordinate Camps owe their existence. As the shadows lengthen before us, it is more difficult to keep the members of the Camp interested in the work and regular in their attendance at the meetings. The numbers in each Camp are decreasing, and many of the Camps are at the point of dissolution, and will be dropped from the roll unless they receive prompt attention and aid. I earnestly call upon the Assistant Inspectors-General, whose first duty it is to look after and report as to what should be done for these Camps, to lose no time in discharging their duty. Occasional personal inspections should be made, and each Camp that is tottering assisted in getting upon and standing upon its feet again. Much humane work can also be done by inquiring as to the number of worthy dependent veterans in the Camp or in the communities

in which the Camp is situated, and by giving directions as to how they can be cared for.

In Richmond is provided a well-conducted and comfortable Soldiers' Home, and for those who, under its regulations, can become its inmates, much relief and consolation in the rapidly darkening evening of life is generously afforded; but its capacity is limited. It has never been found practicable to admit the wives of these old patriots in the Home, and this excludes many venerable men who declare that they will submit to any amount of privation and want rather than separate from their faithful wives, to whom they still look for the sunshine and solace of their declining years. My attention has been particularly directed to a couple of this kind in Bedford County who live in a very humble cabin on a poor piece of land that yields almost nothing as a reward for labor bestowed upon it, but they are too infirm to work and are compelled to accept the aid of charitable neighbors to keep soul and body together. The veteran has been asked and urged to allow an application to be made for him for admission to the Old Soldiers' Home. "No," he says, "I had rather die right here with her (referring to his wife) than live anywhere else on earth without her." I doubt not that there are many more who entertain this same natural and laudable sentiment.

On the 2d day of last January a letter was mailed to me signed by Maud Howell Smith, President of District of Columbia Division; Nannie Randolph Heth, President of the Southern Relief Society, and Dr. Samuel E. Lewis, Commander of Camp No. 1191, of Washington City, calling my attention to a bill offered by Senator Works in the United States Senate, a copy of which was enclosed, and asking my aid in procuring by Congress a prompt consideration of the bill. I examined it carefully and found that it provided for the closing of the Mountain Home in Tennessee as no longer needed for Federal veterans, and opening it under regulations to be made by a commission of five to be elected by the Congress, for the use of indigent and disabled ex-Confederate soldiers, *their wives and widows*. By the provisions of the bill, the same was to continue to be maintained and supported by the United States Government. It was suggested that I write a personal letter to the Camps of ex-Confederate veterans of the State, asking them, upon approval of the proposition, to request the

senators and representatives in Congress to vote for action on the bill during the then pending term. It was apparent that if any number of ex-Confederate veterans were to derive the benefit of the bill, speedy action upon it was necessary. Recognizing that to submit the matter to the local Camps was the really democratic plan of dealing with it, I issued such a circular letter as was requested of me, a copy of which will be filed with this report. All the Camps that replied to this letter favored the proposition. I have reason to believe that had the bill been reached in the order of business of the Congress, it would have received the support of the senators and representatives of Virginia and become a law. At the time I issued this circular I was not aware that action had been taken by this Camp with reference to the matter in another form. How it escaped me—whether from impaired hearing, diverted attention, or otherwise—I am not now able to say. I found, however, that the Camp voted its approval of the correspondence of my distinguished and vigilant predecessor, in which he declined to make the Camp a party to an application or petition to the Congress to furnish this aid to ex-Confederate veterans. The position that ex-Confederates, however much in need, should not compromise their independence and dignity by soliciting aid from the government they fought, meets with my earnest approval. But, in my opinion, the question comes in a wholly different shape, when a senator of the United States, a northern man and a Republican in politics, of his own initiative makes this voluntary and generous offer of a much-needed home which already built, and *built partly with our money,* it would not, in my judgment, evince the proper spirit for us, or our representatives in Congress, to show a want of interest in or appreciation of a proposition which we should believe is prompted by a sense of justice, as well as by a genuine feeling of benevolence. I make this statement, not with any purpose of reviving this question, for I have no reason to suspect that any difference of opinion exists as the matter now stands; nor to invoke any action by this Camp, but simply to disarm criticism of my action by anyone who may erroneously think it is opposed to the action of the Camp theretofore taken. My loyalty to the Camp and subjection to its will will always require the surrender of any personal convictions when opposed by the expressed wishes of the Camp.

I am informed that the bill will be re-introduced at an early day of the next Congress, and that when it comes to a vote, Speaker Clark has expressed the opinion that it will pass the House of Representatives with a *whoop*. Such a consummation will supply further proof that the spirit of reconciliation still grows and dominates the actions of patriots on both sides of the War Between the States. As a further evidence of this, just the other day the President of the United States, in an address on the Civil War before the Grand Army of the Republic, uttered these thoughts: "A war which seemed as if it had the seed of every kind of bitterness in it has in a single generation put bitterness absolutely out of its heart," and as he proceeded he declared: "This is a miracle of the spirit as far as national history is concerned. This is one of the very few wars of which, in one sense, everybody engaged may take pride." These must have been the prevailing sentiments in Washington at its late meeting of ex-Federal veterans, and which has led to the placing in the hands of an ex-Confederate General an invitation to the United Camp of ex-Confederates to meet in that city in 1917 and to march down Pennsylvania Avenue in the same column with ex-Federal soldiers. Who can imagine the wild scenes of patriotic delirium when the veterans on both sides will vie with each other in an effort to keep step to the commingled strains of "Dixie Land" and the "Star-spangled Banner?"

But such a scene will have a wider significance and a broader influence than the creation of an outburst of temporary enthusiasm. It will challenge universal attention, as affording the first instance where men, who lately faced each other in battle array and grimly contended for the victory, now with the smile of joyful satisfaction fall in line together, and with cheers that will be heard around the globe, proclaim to the world that, however far apart they may have once been, the ranks have now come together, and for all time will present a solid line with but one flag and but one country. And is it too much to hope that the lesson such an event should teach may give some impetus to the great movement for a peaceful settlement of controversies which I believe is growing in strength even while the earth is trembling and convulsed by the destruction and terrors of a war such as has never before been visited upon suffering humanity, and by which the pages of history of professedly Christian, as well as pagan nations will be indelibly darkened. It is a

common remark for those who find no comfort in this peace movement, that wars will not cease until the coming of the Millenium. This may be, and probably is true, but it is a stab at civilization and religion to say that wars will not become less frequent and less attended by execrable barbarities such as today give rise to a sickening abhorrence in the minds and hearts of all not controlled by the fury of blind prejudice and passion. Is it not beyond belief that, after the desolation and ruin of countries it has taken centuries to build up and adorn with all that accumulated wealth can bestow, that after the wicked slaughter of thousands, if not millions of men, whose places will long go unfilled, conscience and reason will not suggest and supply some agency by which the repetition of such events will be forever avoided?

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Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL GRIFFIN,

Grand Commander.

SECOND DAY.

Wednesday, October 20, 1915.

Grand Camp called to order.

Prayer by Acting Chaplain-General.

Committee on Credentials made the following report:

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., *October* 20, 1915.

We, your Committee on Credentials to the Twenty-eighth Annual Meeting of the Grand Camp Confederate Veterans, of Virginia, report that forty-seven camps are represented by one hundred and five delegates as per accompanying list.

R. S. DENNY, *Chairman,*
R. C. HART,
L. A. WEAVER.

DELEGATES.

1. R. E. LEE CAMP.—Past Grand Commanders, Geo. L. Christian, J. Thompson Brown; Past Commanders, O. B. Morgan, Jno. W. Gordon, Peter J. White, W. B. Freeman, Edgar D. Taylor;

Delegates, W. K. Evans, Jos. V. Bidgood, W. R. Wood, G. K. Roper, J. W. D. Farrar, D. A. Brown, Jr., J. Taylor Stratton, W. B. Lightfoot, John Lamb, W. E. Moore, J. Taylor Ellyson; Alternates, Geo. T. Dean, Jno. Robertson, A. C. Wrenn, A. Eichel, W. J. Burke, Andrew Krouse, Jno. E. Owens, W. R. Hall, L. W. Cosby, J. Henry Kracke, E. Scott Gibbs, Chas. A. Harrington, W. F. Snider.

2. MAURY CAMP.—Commander, A. B. Bowering; Delegates, Jno. T. Goolrick, E. A. Ruggles.

3. PICKETT-BUCHANAN CAMP.—Past Commanders, H. C. Hoggard, Caius J. Jones, Thelly Nugent, A. J. Dalton, W. B. Brown, James H. Bonney; Delegates, Vernon I'Anson, W. F. Lutz, R. H. Gwaltney, T. B. Jackson; Alternates, W. A. Barnes, N. B. Morse.

4. STONEWALL CAMP.—Delegates, John W. H. Porter, Giles B. Cook.

5. R. E. LEE NO. 2 CAMP.—Past Commander, Edgar Warfield; Delegates, Booker C. Hall, John R. Zimmerman.

6. A. P. HILL CAMP.—Commander, Homer Atkinson; Delegates, J. T. Little, T. S. Beckwith, J. F. Eubank, J. W. R. Smith, R. M. Bidgood, Robert Gilliam, J. M. Fick, W. T. Parham.

8. GARLAND-RODES CAMP.—Delegate, Thomas C. Miller.

9. GEORGE E. PICKETT CAMP.—Commander, J. P. McCook; Delegates, P. C. Ryland, W. T. Blakey, C. R. Wingfield.

10. R. E. LEE NO. 3 CAMP.—Delegates, J. Wesley Elliott.

13. WILLIAM WATTS CAMP.—Past Commander, S. S. Brooke; Delegates, W. E. Elliott, R. A. Pollard; Alternates, W. L. Graybill, J. W. Pearsal, W. H. Tate.

14. JOHN BOWIE-STRANGE CAMP.—Past Commander, W. C. Payne; Delegate, W. G. Gillespie.

15. A. P. HILL NO. 2 CAMP.—Delegate, T. T. Slaughter.

16. EWELL CAMP.—Delegates, J. F. Gulick, J. K. Rust.

19. THORNTON-PICKETT CAMP.—Commander, S. W. Paulett; Delegate, J. H. Young; Alternates, B. F. Coleman, F. W. Davis.

20. STOVER CAMP.—Commander, J. B. Haymaker; Delegates, Luther Hurn, H. C. Burgess.

22. TURNER ASHBY CAMP.—Delegate, Newton H. Carpenter.

25. STONEWALL JACKSON CAMP.—Commander, James Bumgardner; Delegate, James O. Hobbs.

26. L. A. ARMISTEAD CAMP.—Commander, W. A. Jackson; Delegates, M. H. Farmer, J. M. Montgomery.

27. WILLIAM KEAN CAMP.—Delegate, Geo. F. Harrison.

28. G. C. WHARTON CAMP.—Delegates, W. P. Nye, E. F. Gill.

36. MAGRUDER CAMP.—Commander, W. P. Ballard; Delegate, W. J. Adams.

38. H. A. WISE AND W. H. F. LEE CAMP.—Delegate, F. S. Manson.

44. TOM SMITH CAMP.—Delegate, John F. Smith.

45. J. B. EVANS CAMP.—Commander, C. P. Woolwine; Delegate, C. W. Scheaffer.

50. JOSEPH E. JOHNSTON NO. 1 CAMP.—Past Grand Commander, Samuel Griffin; Delegates, J. E. Dooley, R. G. Turpin, Owen Wallson.

51. W. B. NEWTON CAMP.—Commander, G. P. Haw; Delegates, W. S. Blunt, S. M. Baker, Wm. T. Shelton.

52. LAWSON-BALL CAMP.—Commander, W. S. Donaway; Delegates, T. P. Toles, W. G. Beans, T. B. Hurt; Alternates, L. M. Hipp, W. H. Haynie.

53. PICKETT-STUART CAMP.—Delegate, S. A. Leneave.

55. WILLIAM TERRY CAMP.—Commander, J. L. Umberger; Delegate, A. T. Williams; Alternates, A. B. Neighbors, S. S. Williams.

57. HEALY-CLAYBROOKE CAMP.—Delegates, John R. Ferneyhough, John Hardy.

58. WESTMORELAND CAMP.—Commander, B. B. Atwell; Delegate, R. B. Spillman.

59. JOSEPH E. JOHNSTON NO. 2 CAMP.—Delegate, T. E. Woodfin.

69. HUPP-DEYERLE CAMP.—Commander, W. W. Ballard; Delegates, A. H. Whitesell, C. Moran; Alternates, G. Richerson, Joe Pheler.

70. BRUNSWICK CAMP.—Delegates, A. J. Stead, J. Jones.

73. MARR CAMP.—Commander, Robert Wiley; Delegates, L. R. Houchins, L. T. Ball.

74. BLUE RIDGE CAMP.—Commander, G. H. Leak; Delegates, J. F. Heizer.

75. HENRY GANTT CAMP.—Delegates, G. W. Gebner, J. E. Hughes, Wm. Williams; Alternates, Geo. W. Patterson, Thos. H. Childress.

76. CABELL-GRAVES CAMP.—Delegate, B. Y. Fretwell.

87. JOHN T. POWELL CAMP.—Past Commander, John R. Rodgers.

88. PULASKI CAMP.—Past Commander, T. L. Tate; Delegate, A. B. Livingston.

89. ROSSER-GIBBONS CAMP.—Delegates, C. E. Beedler, M. W. Yates.

90. S. R. GIBBON CAMP.—Commander, R. M. Colvin; Delegate, John E. Roller.

91. JOE KENDALL CAMP.—Delegates, T. C. Pilcher, R. E. Peyton, J. E. Armstrong; Alternates, A. F. Rose, C. R. McIntosh.

94. HARMAN-CROCKETT-STOWERS CAMP.—Commander, A. N. Thompson.

95. HARRISON-HARWOOD CAMP.—Delegates, William Harrison, D. G. Tyler; Alternates, Geo. M. Walker, L. A. Marston.

108. R. E. LEE No. 4 CAMP.—Delegate, J. D. Jordan.

113. A. M. DAVIS CAMP.—Commander, Haywood Blevins; Delegate, W. N. Jennings.

119. HARRY HETH CAMP.—Past Commander, John T. Callaghan; Delegates, W. L. Wilkerson, R. S. Denny, Ed. P. Jones, Ro. Thompson, James T. Petty, J. A. Norton; Alternates, W. W. Chamberlain, G. T. Drake, Rev. J. A. Norton, Jno. H. Wash, T. C. Chandler.

Quartermaster-General's Report.

Major D. A. Brown, Jr., Quartermaster-General, read his report on the financial condition of the Grand Camp, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF DAVID A. BROWN, Jr., QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL.

RECEIPTS.

1915					
Oct. 20.	To Cash balance on hand in full				$ 87 13

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

1915					
Oct. 21.	To Dues, 1915, Lane-Diggs	No.	35	$ 2 40	
	To Dues, 1914, Pickett-Stuart	No.	53	2 90	
	To Dues, 1914, Jas. F. Preston	No.	33	4 30	
	To Dues, 1914, Neimeyer-Shaw	No.	30	1 00	
	To Dues, 1914, Pulaski County	No.	88	6 00	
	To Dues, 1914, H. A. Carrington	No.	34	2 30	
	To Dues, 1914, H. A. Wise & W.H.F.Lee	No.	38	1 50	
	To Dues, 1914, Beaver Dam	No.	116	1 60	
24.	To Dues, 1914, Halifax County	No.	124	3 10	
27.	Received of Gen. James Bumgardner			1 50	
Nov. 4.	To Dues, 1914, Lee-Jackson	No.	32	4 00	
					30 60
	Total Balance on hand				$117 73
1914					
Dec. 24.	To Dues, 1915, McElhaney	No.	72	$ 4 00	
1915					
Feb. 5.	To Dues, 1915, Marr	No.	73	5 00	
24.	To Dues, 1915, R. E. Lee, No. 3	No.	10	2 10	
May 3.	To Dues, 1915, Rosser-Gibbons	No.	89	3 15	
22.	To Dues, 1915, Stuart-Hairston	No.	64	9 60	
	To Dues, 1915, A. P. Hill, No. 2	No.	15	5 70	
July 7.	To Dues, 1915, Peachy-Gilmer-Br'k'dge	No.	47	3 10	
	To Dues, 1915, Lane-Diggs	No.	39	3 60	
	To Dues, 1915, Henry Gantt	No.	75	5 70	
	To Dues, 1915, Jos. E. Johnston, No. 3	No.	63	5 70	
26.	To Dues, 1915, Jos. E. Johnston, No. 1	No.	50	7 50	
	To Dues, 1915, Jno. T. Powell	No.	87	4 80	
31.	To Dues, 1915, Jefferson County	No.	123	3 00	
Aug. 10.	To Dues, 1915, R. E. Lee	No.	1	33 60	
	To Dues, 1915, Jos. E. Johnston, No. 2	No.	59	6 00	

Aug. 10.	To Dues, 1915, Wright-Lataine	No.	49	$ 3 30
	To Dues, 1915, John Bowie Strange	No.	14	6 00
13.	To Dues, 1915, S. B. Gibbons	No.	90	9 75
17.	To Dues, 1915, Joe Kendall	No.	91	9 75
	To Dues, 1915, G. C. Wharton	No.	28	6 75
18.	To Dues, 1915, J. E. B. Stuart, No. 2	No.	24	4 20
23.	To Dues, 1915, Urquhart-Gillett	No.	11	4 65
	To Dues, 1915, Magruder	No.	36	4 05
24.	To Dues, 1915, Garland-Rodes	No.	8	9 00
	To Dues, 1915, Floyd County	No.	110	3 70
26.	To Dues, 1915, Marr	No.	73	5 00
31.	To Dues, 1915, Maury	No.	2	3 45
	To Dues, 1915, Jas. T. Preston	No.	33	4 35
	To Dues, 1915, Ivanhoe	No.	103	2 25
Sept. 1.	To Dues, 1915, Page-Puller	No.	29	4 65
4.	To Dues, 1915, Westmoreland	No.	58	4 20
10.	To Dues, 1915, Harrison-Hardwood	No.	95	3 00
	To Dues, 1915, Ewell	No.	16	4 00
	To Dues, 1915, Ewell	No.	16	4 95
	To Dues, 1915, Neff-Rice	No.	105	6 00
11.	To Dues, 1915, Blue Ridge	No.	74	1 95
13.	To Dues, 1915, Pickett-Buchanan	No.	3	18 45
16.	To Dues, 1915, A. P. Hill	No.	6	16 50
	To Dues, 1915, Stonewall	No.	4	6 45
	To Dues, 1915, Lawson-Ball	No.	52	5 30
18.	To Dues, 1915, Niemeyer-Shaw	No.	30	1 05
20.	To Dues, 1915, Tom Smith	No.	44	1 00
21.	To Dues, 1915, Brown-Harman	No.	56	5 25
	To Dues, 1915, Brunswick	No.	70	3 00
23.	To Dues, 1915, R. E. Lee, No. 4	No.	108	1 00
24.	To Dues, 1915, L. J. Perkins	No.	112	2 45
	To Dues, 1915, P. N. Hale	No.	92	3 00
25.	To Dues, 1915, Fluvanna	No.	54	6 30
29.	To Dues, 1915, Jonathan B. Evans	No.	45	1 00
30.	To Dues, 1915, Geo. E. Pickett	No.	9	4 50
Oct. 1.	To Dues, 1915, Harman-Crockett-Stover	No.	94	3 75
2.	To Dues, 1915, Harman-West	No.	125	1 65
	To Dues, 1915, John S. Mosby	No.	110	7 50
	To Dues, 1915, Turner-Ashby	No.	22	3 00
4.	To Dues, 1915, Wm. Terry	No.	115	6 90
	To Dues, 1915, Gross-Grigsby	No.	93	2 40
7.	To Dues, 1915, Stonewall-Jackson	No.	25	5 00
	To Dues, 1915, Pickett-Stuart	No.	53	5 00
8.	To Dues, 1915, R. E. Lee, No. 2	No.	5	10 10
	To Dues, 1915, Healey-Claybrook	No.	57	2 25
	To Dues, 1915, Hupp-Dyerle	No.	69	3 00

Oct. 11.	To Dues, 1915, Hugh McGuire	No.	86	$ 1 50
	To Dues, 1915, Lee-Jackson	No.	32	4 50
12.	To Dues, 1915, Wm. Kean	No.	27	3 75
				$460 78

1915 DISBURSEMENTS

June 1.	By Cash, Gen. W. E. Mickle, capitation tax to U. C. V. Reunion, Richmond, Va.	$ 16 00	
Aug. 20.	By Cash, Everett Waddey Co., Adjutant-General's Office, as per voucher	106 22	
Oct. 11.	By Cash, The Baughman Stationery Co., Adjutant-General's Office, as per voucher	39 55	
	By Cash, Jos. V. Bidgood, Adjutant-General, as per voucher	150 00	
	By Cash, The Baughman Stationery Co., Quartermaster-General's Office, D. A. Brown, Jr., as per voucher	22 75	
14.	By Cash, D. A. Brown, Jr., Quartermaster-General, as per voucher	27 50	
	By Cash, to Assistant Inspectors-General, as per voucher	15 75	
			$377 77
	To Balance		83 01
			$460 78

Respectfully submitted,
D. A. BROWN, Jr.,
Quartermaster-General Grand Camp C. V. of Va.

1915 SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

Oct. 12.	To Dues, Calcotte-Wrenn	No.	17	$ 2 70
13.	To Dues, Alleghany-Roughs Camp	No.	118	4 05
14.	To Dues, Harry Heath Camp	No.	119	15 00
	To Dues, W. B. Newton Camp	No.	51	4 35
	To Dues, Stover Camp	No.	20	4 50
16.	To Dues, Halifax County Camp	No.	124	3 00
	To Dues, Henry Edmonds Camp	No.	126	1 95
18.	To Dues, Beaver Dam Camp	No.	116	1 50
	To Dues, Highland County Camp	No.	37	3 00
	To Dues, Thornton-Pickett Camp	No.	19	3 50
	To Dues, Wm. Kean Camp	No.	27	3 75
	To Dues, L. A. Armstead Camp	No.	26	7 50
	To Dues, Pulaski County Camp	No.	88	9 00
	To Dues, Caroline County Camp	No.	122	3 90
	To Dues, H. A. Carrington Camp	No.	34	2 70
	To Dues, Dearing-Daniel Camp	No.	114	1 50
				$71 90

D. A. BROWN, Jr.,
Quartermaster-General Grand Camp C. V. of Va.

STATISTICAL TABLE

[On account of the death of the Inspector-General, the late Tipton D. Jennings, the following is compiled by the Adjutant-General, from the reports of the Assistant Inspectors-General.]

Camps Composing the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia. November, 1915.

Names and Addresses of Assistant Inspectors-General	Camp or District	Deaths since last Report	New Members	Members now on Roll	Members Paying Dues	Members Not Paying Dues	Camps not Reported	Approximate Number of Veterans in Vicinity not Members of Camp	Camps Disbanded	New Camps	REMARKS
First District, Newport News	16	30	5	217	71	146	8	158	.....	.....	.....
Second District, Norfolk, Va. T. B. Jackson.	8	30	5	249	150	72	.....	40	.....	.....	There is a discrepancy in the Inspector's report of 27 men: 249 members, 150 paying dues, and 72 not paying dues, leaving 27 not accounted for.
Third District, Richmond, Va. O. B. Morgan.	9	35	21	459	299	90	.....	476	.....	.....	.....
Fourth District, Farmville, Va. Sam'l W. Paulett.	11	31	21	452	215	167	3	55	.....	.....	.....
Fifth District, Danville, Va. B. Y. Fretwell.	11	59	14	557	230	279	2	247	.....	.....	.....
Sixth District, Roanoke. D. M. Armstrong.	12	36	17	487	252	235	4	90	.....	.....	.....
Seventh District, Charles Town, W. Va. J. Ogden Murray.	19	78	30	534	284	182	.....	224	3	.....	.....
Eighth District,	8	25	12	409	261	148	2	145	.....	.....	.....
Ninth District, Horsepen. J. P. Whitman.	14	73	12	451	328	73	3	104	.....	.....	.....
Tenth District, Waynesboro. G. Julian Pratt.	12	46	7	512	189	323	3	271	1	.....	.....
Totals	120	443	144	4,327	2,279	1,715	25	1,810	4	.....	

4327
2279
1810
8416
8877
16793

Comrade J. Ogden Murray offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved, By the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia, that any adjutant of Camp by refusal or neglect shall refuse to make Camp report when called for by the Adjutant-General, or Inspector-General, or his assistant, shall after two such failures to report, by refusal or neglect, be reported to the Grand Camp, and the Grand Commander shall be empowered to request removal of such adjutant by his Camp commander.

J. OGDEN MURRAY.

Adopted.

The Committee on Resolutions and Disbursements made the following report:

To the Grand Camp at Fredericksburg:

Your Committee on Resolutions and Distributions beg leave to report that they have considered the report of the Grand Commander, Major Samuel Griffin, and respectfully refer to the Committee on the Good of the Camp that portion of said report referring to the officers of the Camps who are apparently neglectful of their duties and not as active as they should be.

We also refer to the Finance Committee all that portion of the said report embodied in the suggestions with reference to unpaid dues of the Camps, as well as the reference to the Work's bill in the United States Senate.

Respectfully submitted,

T. S. BECKWITH,
JOHN LAMB,
JAMES BUMGARDNER.

Adopted.

The committee of which Comrade Boyd Smith is chairman, which has been continued for several meetings, was, at the request of the chairman, dismissed and a new committee be appointed.

Adopted.

Comrade J. Taylor Stratton offered the following:

Be it resolved, By the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia in meeting assembled in Fredericksburg, Va., that a committee of five be appointed, three of whom shall be from the city of Richmond, on State legislation for pensions to Confederate veterans and their widows and on Virginia legislation for maintenance of the Soldier's Home and special appropriation to the inmates thereof, and also appropriation to Confederate women outside of any Home or other institutions.

J. TAYLOR STRATTON, *Chairman*, Richmond,
D. A. BROWN, JR., Richmond,
W. B. FREEMAN, Richmond,
J. T. GOOLRICK, Fredericksburg,
T. S. BECKWITH, Petersburg,
Committee.

Presented by
J. TAYLOR STRATTON.

Letter from Dr. J. C. Reed, Chaplain-General, expressing his regrets and great disappointment in not being present at this meeting, saying his duties as pastor required his presence at his home, was read.

Mrs. N. V. Randolph was invited to the stage. She made an appeal to veterans for aid for the widows and sisters of the Confederate soldiers in needy circumstances and not otherwise provided for.

Election of Officers for 1915-1916.

THOMAS L. TATE ..... *Grand Commander*
THOMAS G. ELAM ..... *1st Lieutenant Grand Commander*
MARYUS JONES ..... *2d Lieutenant Grand Commander*
BOYD SMITH ..... *3d Lieutenant Grand Commander*
THOMAS C. MILLER ..... *Inspector-General*
DAVID A. BROWN, JR. ..... *Quartermaster-General*
REV. JAMES C. REED ..... *Chaplain-General*
RT. REV. GEORGE W. PETERKIN ..... *Chaplain-General*
DR. JOHN J. TERRELL ..... *Surgeon-General*

After prayer by the Acting Chaplain-General, adjourned to meet Thursday, October 21, 1915, at nine o'clock A. M.

THIRD DAY.

Thursday, October 21, 1915.

Grand Camp called to order by the Grand Commander, Samuel Griffin, at ten o'clock A. M.

Music by the choir.

Prayer by the Rev. Vernon I'Anson.

Report of Committee on Finance:

We have examined the report of our worthy Quartermaster-General and find it kept in a business-like manner and all payments made by him supported by proper vouchers. We commend him for his efficient services so freely given to the Grand Camp.

Amount on hand October 20, 1914	$ 87 13
Subsequent collections	30 60
Balance on hand at end of year	$117 73
Dues collected	343 05
	$460 78
Disbursements during year	377 77
Balance on hand October 21, 1915	$ 83 01

That part of our Grand Commander's report which refers to Senator Work's bill in the United States Senate we fully endorse.

We would recommend in regard to annual dues to the Grand Camp that it is sufficient to call the attention of the Camps composing the Grand Camp to article 8, section 1, of our By-Laws, which reads as follows: "Each Camp composing the Grand Camp shall be assessed and pay ten cents per member annually to defray the expenses of the Grand Camp, and no Camp shall be entitled to representation at any meeting of the Grand Camp unless its assessment has been paid to the Quartermaster-General or other proper officer prior to or at the said meeting," and since the adoption of this By-Law five cents addition per member has been found necessary to meet the expenses of the Grand Camp.

We would suggest that so much of our worthy and honored Grand Commander's interesting report as refers to the good of the Grand Camp be printed in our annual proceedings.

STITH BOLLING, *Chairman*,
JNO. C. EWELL,
J. OGDEN MURRAY.

Comrade T. S. Beckwith offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the delegates to the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia be instructed to request our senators and members of the House of Delegates of Virginia to fix the exemption to which Confederate veterans are entitled to receive pensions to the sum of three hundred dollars per annum.

T. S. BECKWITH,
JOHN LAMB,
JAMES BUMGARDNER, JR.

Adopted.

Comrade J. N. Stubbs offered the following:

Whereas, The unveiling of the statue of General Lee at Gettysburg is looked forward to as the most important work to be done by the veterans of Virginia, and

Whereas, A provision has been made by law granting authority to councils of cities and boards of supervisors of counties to help the Confederate veterans to go to Gettysburg when the unveiling occurs (see Acts of Assembly, 1914, Chap. 56, p. 68), and

Whereas, It is right and proper for Virginia to furnish necessary funds to make the occasion a grand success, and this Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia now in session deems it not inappropriate to petition the General Assembly to make an appropriation for the purpose. Now, therefore, be it

Judge Goolrick mentioned the death of Comrade R. R. Henry and eulogized him.

Comrade T. S. Beckwith offered the following, which, on motion, was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia be, and the same are hereby tendered, to the patriotic and devoted people of Fredericksburg and especially to the ladies, the Maury Camp, the Sons of Confederate Veterans and Boy Scouts for the splendid hospitality and unassuming patriotism displayed by them, and each of them, in entertaining this Camp at this ever memorable and enjoyable meeting of this Camp.

T. S. BECKWITH.

No place for next meeting having been selected, the Grand Camp, after prayer, adjourned.

SAMUEL GRIFFIN,
Grand Commander.

JOS. V. BIDGOOD,
Adjutant-General.

ROSTER OF THE CAMPS COMPOSING THE GRAND CAMP CONFEDERATE VETERANS OF VIRGINIA.

1. R. E. Lee, No. 1, Richmond—Commander, J. Tyler Jobson; Adjutant, J. Taylor Stratton, Richmond, Va.
2. Maury, No. 2, Fredericksburg—Commander, A. B. Bowring; Adjutant, R. C. Hart, Fredericksburg, Va.
3. Pickett-Buchanan, Norfolk—Commander, Frank M. Smith; Adjutant, T. B. Jackson, Norfolk, Va.
4. Stonewall, Portsmouth—Commander, Jno. W. H. Porter; Adjutant, C. R. Warren, Portsmouth, Va.
5. R. E. Lee, No. 2, Alexandria—Commander, W. A. Smoot; Adjutant, Edgar Warfield, Alexandria, Va.
6. A. P. Hill, No. 1, Petersburg—Commander, J. M. Mullen; Adjutant, Homer Atkinson, Petersburg, Va.

*7. Clinton-Hatcher, Leesburg—Commander, Wm. B. Lynch; Adjutant, W. N. Wise, Leesburg, Va.

8. Garland-Rodes, Lynchburg—Commander, W. S. Gregory; Adjutant, Thomas C. Miller, Lynchburg, Va.
9. George E. Pickett, Richmond—Commander, J. P. McCook; Adjutant, Robert N. Northern, Richmond, Va.
10. R. E. Lee, No. 3, Hampton—Commander, C. D. Parker; Adjutant, Joseph R. Haw, Hampton, Va.
11. Urquhart-Gillette, Courtland—Commander, L. R. Edwards, Franklin, Va.; Adjutant, Josiah P. Gay, Franklin, Va.

†12. John R. Cooke, West Point.

13. William Watts, Roanoke—Commander, Thomas G. Elam; Adjutant, Charles Bilharz, Roanoke, Va.
14. John Bowie-Strange, Charlottesville—Commander, C. M. Bolton; Adjutant, C. B. Linney, Charlottesville, Va.

*15. A. P. Hill, No. 2, Culpeper—Commander, H. C. Burrows; Adjutant, W. P. Hill, Culpeper, Va.

16. Ewell, Prince William county—Commander, Westwood Hutchison; Adjutant, Geo. H. Smith, Manassas, Va.
17. Calcotte-Wrenn, Isle of Wight C. H.—Commander, J. W. Jordan; Adjutant, E. E. Edwards, Sr., Isle of Wight C. H., Va.

*18. J. E. B. Stuart, No. 1, Dinwiddie C. H.—Commander, Charles E. Abernathy; Adjutant, A. M. Orgain, Jr., Dinwiddie C. H., Va.

*No report.
†Disbanded.

19. Thornton-Pickett, Farmville—Commander, S. W. Paulett; Adjutant, B. M. Cox, Farmville, Va.
20. Stover, Strasburg—Commander, J. D. Harnaker, Strasburg, Va.; Adjutant, Luther Hurn, Strasburg, Va.
21. J. A. Early, Rocky Mount—Commander, George W. B. Hale; Adjutant, James M. Barber, Rocky Mount, Va.
22. General Turner Ashby, Winchester—Commander, George W. Kurtz; Adjutant, Frank H. Krebs, Winchester, Va.

†23. Magruder-Ewell, Williamsburg—Commander, S. S. Hankins, Toano, Va.; Adjutant, W. L. Jones, Williamsburg, Va.

24. J. E. B. Stuart, No. 2, Berryville, Clarke county—Commander, Jno. C. Rutherford, Berryville, Va.; Adjutant W. T. Milton, Berryville, Va.
25. Stonewall Jackson, Staunton—Commander, James Bumgardner, Staunton; Adjutant, J. W. Blackburn, Staunton, Va.
26. L. A. Armistead, Clarksville—Commander, James A. Jamerson, Buffalo Station, Va.; Adjutant, J. M. Butterworth, LaCrosse, Va.
27. Wm. Kean, Louisa C. H.—Commander, Wm. Hart, Frederick Hall; Adjutant, Robert B. Winston, Louisa, Va.
28. G. C. Wharton, Radford—Commander, E. M. Ingles; Adjutant, W. P. Nye, Radford, Va.
29. Page-Puller, Gloucester C. H.—Commander, H. C. Bland; Adjutant, A. T. Wiatt, Gloucester, Va.
30. Niemeyer-Shaw, Berkley—Commander, E. Rudd, Norfolk, Va.; Adjutant, N. P. Tatem, Berkley, Va.
31. John W. Rowan, Charleston, W. Va.—Commander, ————————; Adjutant, C. F. Galaher, Charlestown, W. Va.
32. Lee-Jackson, Lexington—Commander, ————————; Adjutant, T. M. Wade, Lexington, Va.
33. James F. Preston, Christiansburg—Commander, Wm. M. Ellis, Shawsville; Adjutant, Geo. W. Fagg, Christiansburg, Va.
34. H. A. Carrington, Smithville—Commander, T. W. Scott, Drake's Branch, Va.; Adjutant, John B. Faris, Charlotte C. H., Va.

*35. William S. Grimes, Orange—Commander, James W. Morton, Orange, Va.; Adjutant, ————————.

36. Magruder, Newport News—Commander, Maryus Jones; Adjutant, ————————, Newport News, Va.
37. Highland, Monterey—Commander, O. Wilson; Adjutant, W. A. Cunningham, Monterey, Va.
38. H. A. Wise and W. H. F. Lee, Lunenburg—Commander, R. W. Manson; Adjutant, S. H. Love, Kenbridge, Va.
39. Lane-Diggs, Mathews C. H.—Commander, Alex. Jones, Mathews P. O., Va.; Adjutant, J. A. Weston, Williams Wharf P. O., Va.

*40. J. C. Carpenter, Covington—Commander, William A. Rhinehart; Adjutant, S. C. Carpenter, Covington, Va.

* No report.
† Disbanded.

41. Appomattox, Appomattox C. H.—Commander, William T. Johnson, Pamplin City, Va.; Adjutant, J. C. Whitaker, Spout Spring, Appomattox, Va.

†42. James A. Walker, Pulaski.

†43. Bath, Warm Springs.

44. Tom Smith, Suffolk—Commander, ————————; Adjutant, W. D. Wood, Suffolk, Va.
45. Jonathan B. Evans, Blacksburg—Commander, C. R. Woolwine; Adjutant, C. W. Scheaffer, Blacksburg, Va.

†46. Collins-Garnett, King George C. H.—Disbanded in 1900.

47. Peachy-Gilmer-Breckenridge, Fincastle—Commander, William Brewbaker; Adjutant, W. B. Simmons, Fincastle, Va.

†48. Kemper-Strother-Fry, Madison—Commander, D. M. Pattie, Madison, Va.; Adjutant T. N. Miller, Haywood, Va.

49. Wright-Latane, Tappahannock—Commander, ————————; Adjutant, William Campbell, Dunnsville, Va.
50. Joseph E. Johnston, No. 1, Bedford City—Commander, Samuel Griffin; Adjutant, E. W. Luck.
51. W. B. Newton, Ashland—Commander, George P. Haw, Hanover C. H., Va.; Adjutant, W. F. Blunt, Ashland.
52. Lawson-Ball, Lancaster—Commander, B. H. B. Hubbard, White Store; Adjutant, T. A. Pinckard, Pinckardsville, Va.
53. Pickett-Stuart, Nottoway C. H.—Commander, William Hodges Mann, Nottoway C. H., Va.; Adjutant Charles F. Deane, Nottoway, Va.
54. Fluvanna, Palmyra—Commander, C. G. Sneed; Adjutant, R. S. Campbell, Wilmington.
55. William Terry, Wytheville—Commander, J. L. Umberger; Adjutant, A. B. Neighbors.
56. Browne-Harman, Tazewell—Commander, J. P. Whitman; Adjutant, A. St. Clair, Tazewell, Va.
57. Healey-Claybrook, Saluda—Commander, Dr. B. B. Dutton; Adjutant, John Hardy.

*58. Westmoreland, Montross, Westmoreland county—Commander, B. B. Atwell, Montross, Va.; Adjutant, Edwin Bowie, Hague, Va.

59. Joseph E. Johnston, No. 2, South Richmond—Commander, L. W. Ogden; Adjutant, ————————.

†60. Myers-Riddlebarger, Edinburg—Commander, A. F. Grandstaff, Edinburg, Va.; Adjutant, J. B. Sheffler, Edinburg, Va.

*61. Irving, Buckingham C. H.—Commander, R. T. Hubbard; Adjutant, George W. Patteson.

†62. Jim Pleasants, Goochland C. H.

*63. Joseph E. Johnston, No. 3, Lignum, Culpeper county—Commander, George H. Jones, Lignum, Va.; Adjutant, J. D. Billingsley, Lignum, Va.

64. Stuart-Hairston, Martinsville—Commander, O. M. Allen; Adjutant, C. B. Bryant, Martinsville, Va.

*No report.
†Disbanded

65. Gibson-McCready, Marion—Commander, G. H. Fudge, Marion, Va.; Adjutant, W. P. Francis, Marion, Va.
†66. Ball-Betts-Stokes, Heathville—Commander, ————————.
*67. Chambliss-Barham, Emporia—Commander, A. W. Fergerson, Hitchcocks, Va.; Adjutant, John S. Spencer, Pleasant Shade, Va.
†68. George W. Summers, Shenandoah.
69. Hupp-Deyerle, Salem—Commander, W. W. Ballard, Salem, Va.; Adjutant, Addison H. Whitesell, Salem, Va.
70. Brunswick, Lawrenceville—Commander, J. M. Flournoy; Adjutant, J. E. Trotter, Broadnax, Va.
†71. Richmond county, Warsaw.
72. McElhaney, Lebanon—Commander, J. W. Bausell; Adjutant, N. S. Dickenson, Lebanon, Va.
73. Marr, Fairfax C. H.—Commander, Robert Wiley, Pender, Fairfax, Va.; Adjutant, Dr. Chas. F. Russell, Herndon, Va.
74. Blue Ridge, Buena Vista—Commander, J. M. Hinkle; Adjutant, G. M. Speck, Buena Vista, Va.
75. Henry Gantt, Scottsville—Commander, G. H. Nichols, Scottsville; Adjutant, H. G. Harris, Scottsville, Va.
76. Cabell-Graves, Danville—Commander, Harry Wooding; Adjutant, R. A. Walters, Danville, Va.
*77. Mercer, Bluefield—Commander, James M. French; Adjutant, William A. Cooper, Bluefield, W. Va.
†78. Wise—Merged into Irving Camp, No. 61.
79. Edmunds, Kentuck—Commander, J. B. McCornick, Danville, Va.; Adjutant, W. H. Bennett, R. F. D. 3, Kentuck, Va.
80. Pridemore, Jonesville—Commander, J. W. Orr, Va.; Adjutant, J. A. G. Hyatt, Jonesville, Va.
81. Giles, Pearisburg—Commander, Adair-Surich; Adjutant, John D. Sindow, Pearisburg, Va.
†82. Bagby-Smith-Fox, King and Queen C. H.—Commander, A. C. Walker; Adjutant, Norvell Ryland, King and Queen C. H., Va.
†83. Halifax, South Boston.
84. William Richardson, Front Royal—Commander, W. E. Grayson; Adjutant, T. V. Leach, Front Royal, Va.
85. Shenandoah, Woodstock—Commander, John H. Grabill, Woodstock, Va.; Adjutant, George W. Miley, Woodstock, Va.
86. Hugh McGuire, Lebanon Church—Commander, S. W. Cooley, Mine Bank; Adjutant, J. F. Booth, Middletown, Va.
87. John T. Powell, Lovingston—Commander, W. J. Kidd, Elmington; Adjutant, Jno. Horsley, Lovingston.
*88. Pulaski, Pulaski City—Commander, Thos. L. Tate; Adjutant, A. B. Livingston, Pulaski, Va.
89. Rosser-Gibbons, Luray—Commander, Jno. W. Grove; Adjutant, James W. Wood, Luray.

*No report.
†Disbanded.

90. S. R. Gibbon, Harrisonburg—Commander, R. M. Colvin; Adjutant, T. L. Williamson, Harrisonburg, Va.
91. Joe Kendall, Warrenton—Commander, Col. Tom Smith, Warrenton, Va.; Adjutant, A. F. Rose, Warrenton, Va.
92. P. N. Hale, Independence, Va.—Commander, Eli Wily; Adjutant, J. E. Collins, Comer's Rock, Va.
93. Goss-Grigsby, Stony Point, Va.—Commander, J. P. Goss, Stony Point, Va.; Adjutant, John W. Garth, Rosena, Va.
94. Harman-Crockett-Stowers, Bland, Va.—Commander, A. N. Thompson, Bland, Va.; Adjutant, R. C. Green, Bland, Va.
95. Harrison-Harwood, Charles City county, Va.—Commander, L. A. Maston, Roxbury, Va.; Adjutant, D. G. Tyler, Sturgeon Point, Va.
96. Princess Anne, Princess Anne C. H., Va.—Commander, James H. Bonney, Norfolk, Va.; Adjutant, Oswald B. Mears, Norfolk, R. F. D. No. 2, Va.
97. W. B. Woolridge, Chesterfield C. H., Va.—Commander, W. W. Baker; Adjutant, J. M. Gregory, Forest Hill, R. F. D. No. 9, Richmond.
†98. Lee-Douglas-Carter, King William county, Va.—Commander, L. D. Robinson, Skyron, Va.; Adjutant, Wm. M. Gary, Wakena, Va.
*99. Pittsylvania, Chatham, Va.—Commander, Chiswell Dabney; Adjutant, Fletcher B. Watson, Chatham, Va.
*100. Sussex, Sussex C. H., Va.—Commander, W. R. Arnold, Waverly, Va.; Adjutant, George W. Jackson, Yale, Va.
†101. Deal-Crenshaw, Surry, Va.
*102. Clintwood, Clintwood, Va.—Commander, Felix Senter; Adjutant, A. J. Edwards, Colley P. O., Va.
103. Ivanhoe, Ivanhoe, Va.—Commander, M. W. Jewett, Ivanhoe, Va.; Adjutant, H. C. Thompson.
104. J. E. B. Stuart, No. 3, Stuart, Va.—Commander, C. W. Plasters, R. F. D. 4, Stuart, Va.; Adjutant, H. C. Light.
105. Neff-Rice, New Market, Va.—Commander, John W. Clindinst, New Market, Va.; Adjutant, John L. Schaeffer, Quicksburg, Va.
106. Wm. E. Jones, Abingdon, Va.—Commander, Thomas W. Colley; Adjutant, Thomas K. Trigg, Abingdon, Va.
*107. Rappahannock, Washington, Va.—Adjutant, J. B. Miller, Washington, Rappahannock, Va.
108. R. E. Lee, No. 4, Smithfield, Va.—Commander, E. M. Morrison; Adjutant, J. D. Jordon, Smithfield, Isle of Wight county, Va.
109. Amelia, Amelia C. H., Va.—Commander, W. O. Harvie, Mattoax, Va.; Adjutant, N. W. de Krafft, Amelia C. H., Va.
110. John S. Mosby, Richmond, Va.—Commander, Boyd Smith, Mineral, Va.; Adjutant, Edward Shacklett, Delaplane, Fauquier county, Va.
111. Floyd, Floyd C. H., Va.—Commander, W. T. Sowers, Poff, Va.; Adjutant, N. J. Agnew, Floyd C. H., Va.

*No report.
†Disbanded.

112. L. J. Perkins, White Top, Grayson county, Va.—Commander, J. M. Perkins; Adjutant, J. F. Russell, Flat Ridge P. O., Grayson county, Va.
113. A. M. Davis, Baywood, Grayson county, Va.—Commander, Haywood Blevins; Adjutant, H. W. Fields, Baywood P. O., Grayson county, Va.
114. Dearing-Daniel, Rustburg, Va.—Commander, J. Risque Hutter, Lynchburg, Va.; Adjutant, D. J. Evans, Concord Depot, Va.
115. Jennings-Haynes, Hillsville, Carroll county, Va.—Commander, W. H. Southerland; Adjutant, E. W. Franklin, Hillsville P. O., Carroll county, Va.
116. Beaver Dam, Beaver Dam, Va.—Commander, Jacob T. Bradshaw, Carrsville, R. F. D. 1, Va.; Adjutant, D. L. Butler, Holland, R. F. D., Va.
†117. Ashby, Conicville, Shenandoah county, Va.—Commander, J. L. Hansbarger, Conicville, Va.; Adjutant, A. Dodson, Edinburg, Va.
118. Alleghany Roughs, Clifton Forge, Va.—Commander, W. M. Swoop, Lick Run; Adjutant, T. M. Reynolds.
119. Harry Heth, Washington, D. C.—Commander, Fred Beall; Adjutant, Lovick Pierce, 1228 11th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.
†120. Wise County, Wise, Va.—Commander, ————; Adjutant, G. W. Kilgore.
†121. John T. Ellis Camp, Amherst, Va.
122. Caroline County, Bowling Green, Va.—Commander, C. T. Smith, Croxton, Va.; Adjutant, E. R. Coghill.
123. Jefferson County, Charlestown, W. Va.—Commander, R. P. Chew; Adjutant, S. C. Young, Charlestown, W. Va.
124. Halifax County, South Boston, Va.—Commander, Henry Easley; Adjutant, E. N. Hardy.
125. Harmonson-West, Parksley, Accomac county—Commander, Dr. Frank Fletcher, Jenkins Bridge, Va.; Adjutant, Thomas C. Kelly, Hallwood, Va.
126. Henry Edmunds, Crystal Hill, Va.—Commander, R. T. Edwards, Crystal Hill, Va.; Adjutant, W. A. Hunt, Lennig, Va.

†Disbanded.